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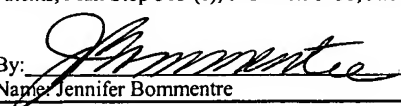
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	LENTSCH ET AL.	Examiner:	C. BOYER
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Title:	WAREWASHING COMPOSITION FOR USE IN AUTOMATIC DISHWASHING MACHINES, AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING AND USING		

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. The listed references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed November 5, 2004.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the International Search Report and Written Opinion.

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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

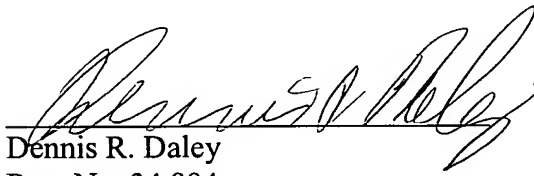
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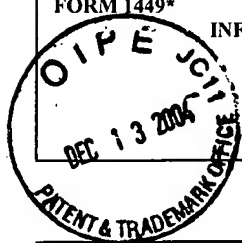
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	25 39 531 A	1977-03-17	DE				X
	1 442 885 A	1976-07-14	GB			X	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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